

Application of:

Lekson et al.

Serial No.: 10/606,694

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For: Apparatus and Method for Providing a Modular Vehicle Light Device

Group Art Unit: 2875

Examiner: Ton, Anabel

Confirmation No.: 5347

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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Sir:

Responsive to the Notice of Allowance mailed January 17, 2006, the Applicants express appreciation for the allowance of the present application. The Applicants note the Examiner's reasons for allowance, but further comment that the art of record, along and in combination, fails to show, teach or suggest the entirety of each combination of steps and/or structure recited by each of the allowed claims of the present invention.


The Applicants respectfully submit that the reasons for allowance are only warranted in instances in which the record of the prosecution as a whole does not make clear his or her reasons for allowing a claim or claims. In light of the original disclosure, previous Office Actions and responses, however, the Applicants believe that the record as a whole does not make the reasons for allowance clear. Moreover, the Applicants do not necessarily agree with each statement in the reasons for allowance. The Applicants believe that the Statements of

Reasons for Allowance in this case are improper as it merely copies limitations of the claims into the reasons for allowance. While the Applicants believe that the Statements of Reasons for Allowance in this case are improper as it merely copies limitations of the claims into the reasons for allowance. While the Applicants believe that the claims are allowable, the Applicants do not acquiesce that patentability resides in the features, as explicitly set forth in the claims, nor that each feature is required for patentability.

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